IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

BRIDGESTONE SPORTS CO., LTD., and BRIDGESTONE GOLF, INC.,)
Plaintiffs,)
V,)
ACUSHNET COMPANY,) C. A. No. 05-132 (JJF)
Defendant.)
ACUSHNET COMPANY,	PUBLIC VERSION
Counterclaim Plaintiff,)
v.)
BRIDGESTONE SPORTS CO., LTD. and BRIDGESTONE GOLD, INC.)))
Counterclaim Defendant.)

ACUSHNET'S OPPOSITION TO BRIDGESTONE'S MOTION TO STRIKE ACUSHNET'S REPLY BRIEF REGARDING ITS MOTION FOR REPRESENTATIVE CLAIMS AND TO REQUIRE DETAILED INFRINGEMENT CONTENTIONS

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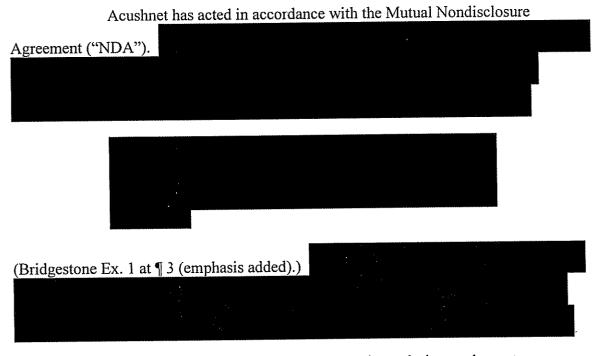
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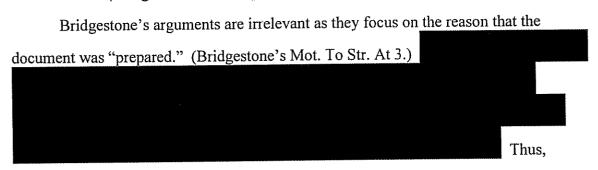
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Bridgestone's Motion should be denied.

¹ A paragraph that Bridgestone ignores in its motion despite the fact Acushnet explained its position to Bridgestone in a January 3, 2006 letter. (Ltr. From Alan M. Grimaldi to Robert M. Masters on Jan. 3, 2006 (Ex. A hereto).)

In any event, Bridgestone's motion complains only about one paragraph in Acushnet's Reply Brief. Acushnet's motion for representative claims and proper infringement contentions provides ample additional bases to support granting that motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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